FREDRICKSON PARK

South Bend, St. Joseph County, IN Revised January 27, 2000

Site Location and Description

This site is located Northeast of the cental business district in the City of South Bend.

Zip Code: 46601

Site Uses and Past Activities

This unlined landfill operated from the 1930s until the mid-1970s and accepted both industrial and municipal wastes. The property was purchased by the City of South Bend using funds from a trust inherited from Author Fredrickson who died in 1982.

Contaminants and Impacts

No assessments or sampling activities have yet been completed at this site. Therefore, the type and extent of contamination, if any exists, is currently unknown.

Lead Agency

IDEM in conjunction with the Indiana Development Finance Authority.

Community Concerns

The transfer of the trust to the city was contingent on the site being used as a public park within eight years of the death of Mr. Fredrickson, a town resident. After two one year extentions and a failed attempt at another extention, transfer of the trust did not occur because of the perceived environmental contamination that the property carried, due to it having been used as both as an industrial and municipal landfill for approximately 40 years.

Actions Taken

The City of South Bend was awarded an Indiana Brownfields Site Assessment Grant by the Indiana Development Finance Authority in June 1998. This grant is to be used for an environmental site assessment of the abandoned landfill.

Current Status

IDEM is reviewing the assessment reports generated from the Phase II investigation activities to ensure environmental objectives are met.



Future Actions

IDEM will be available to discuss future steps necessary to facilitate the City of South Bend's redevelopment efforts.

Reuse and Redevelopment

The City of South Bend plan to use the grant monies to facilitate the development of the property into beneficial uses including residential use and a municipal park.

Cost Estimates

Amount of grant awarded: \$31,022.

For More Information

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